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SUBJECT: S39-04: INDIAN NON-PAPER ON EXPORT OF CW PRECURSOR
TO DPRK

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Classified By: DCM Robert O. Blake, Jr. for Reasons 1.4 (B, D)

1. (C) During the June 16 US-India Strategic Stability and Nonproliferation Dialogue, MEA Additional Secretary (International Security) Meera Shankar gave A/S for Arms Control Stephen Rademaker the following nonpaper regarding export of sodium cyanide, a chemical weapons precursor, by the Indian firm Phulchand Export Ltd to the DPRK. This case was last raised with the GOI in March 2005 (Reftel). Further discussion of this case in the context of the Nonproliferation Dialogue will follow septel. Text of the non-paper follows:

2. (C) Begin text of GOI non-paper:

In response to the information conveyed by USG regarding export of sodium cyanide by the Indian firm Phulchand Export Limited, to DPRK, GOI wishes to convey that the transaction under reference has not taken place and the deal has been terminated, including due to GOI intervention.

In the spirit of our friendly relations, GOI also wishes to share the following details about the said transaction as have come to the fore pursuant to investigations by GOI agencies. The enquiry for supply of Sodium Cyanide was received from the North Korean company M/s Korea Kumgang Corporation located at Pyongchan-1, Pyongychan District, Pyongyang (Tel. Nos. 0085-01-18111/18222, 3818295). The Korean Company was willing to open a Line of Credit through Bank of China, Macau Branch. The end-use stated by the firm was use in extraction work in gold mines.

End text of GOI nonpaper.
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